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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Thomas L. Hughes *and*  
The Director of Intelligence and Research  
Department of State

I acknowledge receipt of your communication addressed to General Carter, DDCI, suggesting the preparation of a Memorandum under USIB direction which would serve as an analysis, evaluation and a judgment on the likelihood that exotic weapons are now in Cuba. I concur that such a report would be of value, although the problem is under constant review by both CIA and DIA.

You are familiar with the fact that concern over the possibility of exotic weapons in Cuba, and other matters, caused me to direct CIA to review all raw intelligence of every nature received for a 90-day period and report thereon. This report was completed on July 10, a copy of which was transmitted to you. In addition a careful analysis of all reports is being made on a daily basis by OCI and in fact all raw intelligence considered significant is given to me each day in the form of a "Cuban Checklist for DCI".

Despite this continuing effort to analyse and evaluate reports from day to day carried on in CIA and DIA as well, I feel the review suggested by you would be most useful and therefore will take steps to implement your suggestion.

JOHN A. McCONE  
Director

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ER. [ ] says that DD/I was to fill in the date in para 2, line 5; and then they sent this communication as a cable to Hughes (Hughes' communication came over as a cable also). This sent to you simply for reference in event question ever comes up, did we or did we not send a memo over. Cable sent 9/7/63.

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